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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT

Consolidation of Daily Intelligence Publications

REFERENCES

A. USIB-D-39.6/3 (Revised), 12 July 1960

B. USIB-D-39.6/4, 17 November 1960

C. USIB-D-39.6/6 (Final), 9 January 1961

The attached report by The Ad Hoc Committee on Foreign Intelligence

Publications will be placed on the agenda of an early Intelligence

Board meeting for discussion and action on the Committee's recommendations.

USIB action:

Noted report and appeared

recommendations (SIB\_M-144)

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Executive Secretary

1) May 1961

## Attachment

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- 1. In a memorandum to the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities (Reference A) the Chairman, USIB, transmitted Part II of a report on foreign intelligence publications and added that the USIB Ad Hoc Committee on Foreign Intelligence Publications was being continued "for the purpose of studying the feasibility of establishing a joint intelligence daily". In a memorandum attached to Reference B the President's Board noted with approval that "the USIB is exploring the feasibility of establishing one joint intelligence daily to supplant the thirteen dailies now produced independently". The dailies referred to by the President's Board are those listed on Pages 3-6 of the attachment to Reference A.
- 2. Since preparation of this list, the Army has suspended publication of its Daily Intelligence Bulletin, and produces its Special Intelligence Bulletin (Limited Distribution) so infrequently that it no longer can be considered a daily publication. Of the eleven existing daily publications considered by this committee, eight are designed for particular, non-duplicatory purposes. The Central Intelligence Bulletin is a limited distribution publication designed primarily for White House use. The Joint Staff Intelligence Brief, the Army ACSI Daily Brief and the Air Force Chief of Staff's Intelligence Bulletin are essentially briefing papers for principal military officials. Soviet Fleet Activity and Soviet Merchant Marine Summary are Navy cables to the fleet. Additionally, CIA publishes a limited-distribution supplement to its Current Intelligence Digest and State issues a limited-distribution or analytical comment.
- 3. The three remaining widely disseminated daily publications are the CIA Current Intelligence Digest, the Air Force Selected Intelligence Reports and Briefs, and the Navy ONI Bulletin. The committee believes that only these three might be considered for consolidation, and that they could be reduced to no less than two because of the special need for military selection and interpretation of intelligence items. The committee understands that consolidation of military publications already is being considered.

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- 4. We therefore recommend:
  - a. That the existing USIB Ad Hoc Committee on Foreign Intelligence Publications be dissolved.
  - b. That approximately one year from this date USIB consider the advisability of re-examining daily intelligence publications disseminated widely at the SECRET level.

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Chairman, USIB Ad Hoc Committee
On Foreign Intelligence Publications